IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend the claims as follows:

1. (Currently Amended) A method comprising:

displaying information in a display window of a computing device, the computing device comprising at least one scroll wheel; and

indicating whether the information is scrollable by activating a human perceivable stimulus;

wherein, in indicating, the human perceivable stimulus comprises a light emanating from a light source proximate to the at least one scroll wheel, the light source being turned on if the information is scrollable.

2. (Currently Amended) The method recited in claim 1 wherein, in indicating, the at least one scroll wheel comprises a vertical scroll wheel ~~human perceivable stimulus is from the group comprising a light, a sound, and a physical movement~~.

3. (Currently Amended) The method recited in claim 1 wherein, in indicating, the at least one scroll wheel comprises a horizontal scroll wheel ~~human perceivable stimulus is from the group comprising activation of a light, a change in light intensity, a change in light color, a change in light location, a change in a light blinking pattern, activation of a legend, a change in a legend, activation of a sound, a change in a sound, activation of a physical movement, and a change in a physical movement~~.

4. (Currently Amended) The method recited in claim 1 wherein, in indicating, the at least one scroll wheel comprises a vertical scroll wheel, wherein the computing device further comprises at least one horizontal scroll wheel having a light source proximate to it, and wherein the human perceivable stimulus comprises a light emanating from one or both light sources, depending upon whether the information is scrollable vertically, horizontally, or in both directions ~~emanating from a light source, the light source being turned on if the information is scrollable, and the light source being otherwise off~~.

5. (Currently Amended) The method recited in claim 1 wherein, in indicating, the at least one scroll wheel is built into the computing device ~~human perceivable stimulus comprises a light emanating from a light source proximate to a scroll control element, the light source being turned on if the information is scrollable, and the light source being otherwise off~~.

6. (Currently Amended) The method recited in claim 1 wherein the computing device comprises at least a horizontal scroll wheel and a vertical scroll wheel, wherein, in indicating, the human perceivable stimulus comprises a light emanating from a first light source proximate to the horizontal scroll wheel ~~a horizontal scroll control element~~, the first light source being turned on if the information is horizontally scrollable, and the first light source being otherwise off, and wherein the human perceivable stimulus further comprises a light emanating from a second light source proximate to the vertical scroll wheel ~~a vertical scroll control element~~, the second light source being turned on if the information is vertically scrollable, and the second light source being otherwise off.

7. (Original) The method recited in claim 6 wherein, in indicating, the first light source, the second light source, the horizontal scroll control wheel, and the vertical scroll control wheel are elements of a pointing device.

8. (Original) A method comprising:

displaying information in a plurality of display windows of a computing device;

detecting a control signal from a user interface element from the group comprising a cursor position, a pointing device, a key, a button, a touch-sensitive screen, or a combination thereof, the control signal representing the selection of a specific display window; and

indicating whether the information in the specific display window is scrollable by activating a human perceivable stimulus.

9. (Original) The method recited in claim 8 wherein, in indicating, the human perceivable stimulus is from the group comprising a light, a sound, and a movement.

10. (Original) The method recited in claim 8 wherein, in indicating, the human perceivable stimulus comprises a light emanating from a light source, the light source being turned on if the information is scrollable, and the light source being otherwise off.

11. (Original) The method recited in claim 8 wherein, in indicating, the human perceivable stimulus comprises a light emanating from a light source proximate to a scroll control element, the light source being turned on if the information is scrollable, and the light source being otherwise off.

12. (Original) The method recited in claim 8 wherein, in indicating, the human perceivable stimulus comprises a light emanating from a first light source proximate to a horizontal scroll control wheel, the first light source being turned on if the information is horizontally scrollable, and the first light source being otherwise off, and wherein the human perceivable stimulus further comprises a light emanating from a second light source proximate to a vertical scroll control wheel, the second light source being turned on if the information is vertically scrollable, and the second light source being otherwise off.

13. (Original) The method recited in claim 12 wherein, in indicating, the first light source, the second light source, the horizontal scroll control wheel, and the vertical scroll control wheel are elements of a pointing device.

14. (Original) A computing device including a memory to store information and a computer program, and a user interface including a display, the computing device executing the computer program comprising the operations of:

displaying information in a window of the display; and

indicating whether the information is scrollable by activating a human perceivable stimulus.

15. (Original) The computing device recited in claim 14 wherein, in indicating, the computer program comprises the operation of turning on a light if the information is scrollable, and otherwise not turning on the light.

16. (Original) The computing device recited in claim 14 and further including a scroll control element and a light proximate to the scroll control element and wherein, in indicating, the computer program comprises the operation of turning on the light if the information is scrollable, and otherwise not turning on the light.

17. (Original) The computing device recited in claim 14 wherein the computing device comprises a horizontal scroll control element and a vertical scroll control element, and wherein, in indicating, the computer program comprises the operation of turning on a first light proximate to the horizontal scroll control element if the information is horizontally scrollable, and wherein the computer program further comprises the operation of turning on a second light proximate to the vertical scroll control element if the information is vertically scrollable.

18. (Original) The computing device recited in claim 14 wherein the computer program further comprises the operation of determining that a user of the computing device is focusing on a specific display window, and wherein, in indicating, the computer program comprises the operation of turning on a light if the information in the specific display window is scrollable, and otherwise not turning on the light.

19. (Original) The computing device recited in claim 18 wherein, in indicating, the computer program comprises the operation of turning on the light proximate to a scroll control element if the information in the specific display window is scrollable, and otherwise not turning on the light.

20. (Original) The computing device recited in claim 18 wherein, in determining, the computer program comprises the operation of detecting a control signal from a user interface element from the group comprising a cursor position, a pointing device, a key, a button, a touch-sensitive screen, or a combination thereof.

21. (Original) A computer network including a computing device having a user interface including a display, and a remote computing device, the computer network executing a computer program residing on the remote computing device comprising the operations of:

displaying information in a display window of the computing device; and

indicating whether the information is scrollable by activating a human perceivable stimulus.

22. (Original) The computer network recited in claim 21 wherein, in indicating, the computer program comprises the operation of turning on a light if the information is scrollable, and otherwise not turning on the light.

23. (Original) The computer network recited in claim 21 wherein the computing device further comprises a scroll control element, and wherein, in indicating, the computer program comprises the operation of turning on a light proximate to the scroll control element if the information is scrollable, and otherwise not turning on the light.

24. (Original) The computer network recited in claim 21 wherein the computing device comprises a horizontal scroll control element and a vertical scroll control element, and wherein, in indicating, the computer program comprises the operation of turning on a first light proximate to the horizontal scroll control element if the information is horizontally scrollable, and wherein the computer program further comprises the operation of turning on a second light proximate to the vertical scroll control element if the information is vertically scrollable.

25. (Original) An article comprising a machine-accessible medium having associated instructions, wherein the instructions, when accessed, result in a machine performing:

displaying information in a display window of a computing device; and

indicating whether the information is scrollable by activating a human perceivable stimulus.

26. (Original) The article recited in claim 25 wherein the computing device comprises a light, and wherein the instructions, when accessed by the machine, result in the machine performing the operation of turning on the light if the information is scrollable, and otherwise not turning on the light.

27. (Original) The article recited in claim 25 wherein the computing device further comprises a scroll control element and a light proximate to the scroll control element, and wherein the instructions, when accessed by the machine, result in the machine performing the operation of turning on the if the information is scrollable, and otherwise not turning on the light.

28. (Original) The article recited in claim 25 wherein the computing device comprises a horizontal scroll control element, a first light proximate to the horizontal scroll control element, a vertical scroll control element, and a second light proximate to the vertical scroll control element, and wherein, in indicating, the computer program comprises the operation of turning on the first light if the information is horizontally scrollable, and wherein the computer program further comprises the operation of turning on the second light if the information is vertically scrollable.

Please add new claims 29-33 as follows:

29. (New) The method recited in claim 6 wherein, in indicating, the pointing device comprises a mouse.

30. (New) A method comprising:

displaying information in a display window of a computing device; and

indicating whether the information is scrollable by activating a human perceivable stimulus, wherein the human perceivable stimulus is a change in speed in a light blinking pattern from a light source.

31. (New) The method recited in claim 30 wherein, in indicating, the light source is proximate to a scroll wheel.

32. (New) The method recited in claim 31 wherein, in indicating, the scroll wheel is an element in a mouse.

33. (New) The method recited in claim 31 wherein, in indicating, the scroll wheel is built into the computing device.